

# CSWC Operational Period Summary

## 0600 March 25 2015 to 1800 March 25 2015



Anzo Borrego Desert State Park, San Diego County, March 22, 2015

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Note: [Report changes/updates are in blue](#)

# **SITUATION SUMMARY**

## **48 car train derailment, Churchill County – north of Fallon, Nevada**

Per the Cal OES Fire Branch and 'KOLO 8 News Now', Highway 95 is now back open in both directions near mile marker 47 after a train derailed Wednesday afternoon north of Fallon. A Union Pacific Railroad spokesman says 48 cars from the 51-car freight train derailed about 3:40PM, March 25, 2015. Hazardous materials crews are responding, but the train company says so far, there are no reports of a spill or injuries.

## **5.0 Magnitude Earthquake, 85 miles off coast of British Columbia**

- A 5.0M EQ occurred 90 miles off coast of British Columbia. There was no Tsunami danger for California.
- A Tsunami Information Statement was issued by the National Tsunami Warning Center and the California State Warning Center conducted a roll call with Coastal and Delta Counties.

## **Tsunami Preparedness Week 2015**

- The Governor has proclaimed March 22 – 28, 2015 Tsunami Preparedness Week. During the last full week of March the state supports activities and outreach in coastal counties and communities. This week is a focused opportunity for local governments to offer consistent tsunami safety information to anyone living or working at and visiting the coast. Activities may include tests of the National Tsunami Warning System, exercises using a Pacific-wide, NOAA-developed Exercise (Kamchatka Russia Scenario), public evacuation drills, airplane fly-overs, and community-level outreach, workshops and fairs. Find local events and register at [www.TsunamiZone.org](http://www.TsunamiZone.org) to learn how to protect yourself from a tsunami anytime you're near the coast.

## **Cal EOC Incident – 2014 Drought**

- SOC / Inland REOC remains activated in support of 2014 Drought

# SITUATION SUMMARY

## Cal OES Host FEMA Corps, CSTI San Luis Obispo

For a second year in a row the Governor's Office of Emergency Services in conjunction with Camp San Luis Obispo is hosting an eight day training evolution for 124 FEMA Corps Cadets and accompanying cadre of 33 instructor and support personnel. Upon completion on March 27, 2015 the FEMA Cadet teams will be off to multiple locations across the country to include Puerto Rico and Hawaii.

### **Background:**

Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS) to establish a FEMA-devoted unit of 1,600 service corps members within AmeriCorps National Civilian Community Corps (NCCC) solely devoted to disaster preparedness, response, and recovery. This partnership builds on the historic collaboration between the two agencies and will enhance the federal government's disaster capabilities, increase the reliability and diversity of the disaster workforce, promote an ethic of service, expand education and economic opportunity for young people, and achieve significant cost savings for the American taxpayer. The FEMA Corps members will serve for a 10 month term with an option to extend for a second year. The program will prepare thousands of young people for careers in emergency management and related fields. During their service, they will gain significant training and experience in disaster services and will provide important support to disaster survivors.



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2015 FEMA Corps



# **SITUATION SUMMARY**

## **Weather of Concern**

- Warm weather is expected to return to the majority of the state. Reno, Oxnard, and San Diego NWS Offices are reporting that temperatures are projected to rise to well above normal values late this week with the potential for heat records to be broken. In Southern California, Santa Ana wind is expected to be weak to moderate so gusts near 50 mph at the windiest prone passes and canyons into Thursday morning. The hottest day is expected on Friday for most areas.

**Active Weather Warnings, Watches and Advisories by County:** [http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/sto/brief/www\\_bc\\_cal.php](http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/sto/brief/www_bc_cal.php)

# Key Points

03/25 – 03/31

## Thursday-Friday

- Hot and record breaking temperatures over southern CA up to 20-25 degrees above normal may cause heat related impacts to vulnerable populations
- Gusty offshore winds may cause fire weather concerns on Thursday

## Saturday-Wednesday

- Slightly cooler temperatures with no significant weather impacts



# California OES Impact Threat Matrix

Mar 25, 2015 – Mar 31, 2015

DAY/THREAT	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN	MON	TUE	WED
Fire Weather	S. CA						
Winds							
Extreme Cold							
Snow							
Heavy Rain/ Flash Flooding							
River Flooding							
Severe Weather							
Heat	S. CA	S. CA					
Tropical							

	High Threat
	Moderate Threat
	Slight Threat
	No Discernible Threat





# Day 1 Weather Hazards

Valid: 0800 Thu – 0800 Fri



- Gusty offshore winds may cause fire weather concerns*



	High Threat
	Moderate Threat
	Slight Threat



# **Day 1-2 Weather Hazards**

**Valid: 0800 Thu – 0800 Sat**



- *Hot and record breaking temperatures up to 20-25 degrees above normal*
  - *May cause heat related impacts to vulnerable populations*

	High Threat
	Moderate Threat
	Slight Threat

# WEATHER

## WEATHER SYNOPSIS BY REGION:

### **NORTHERN CALIFORNIA**

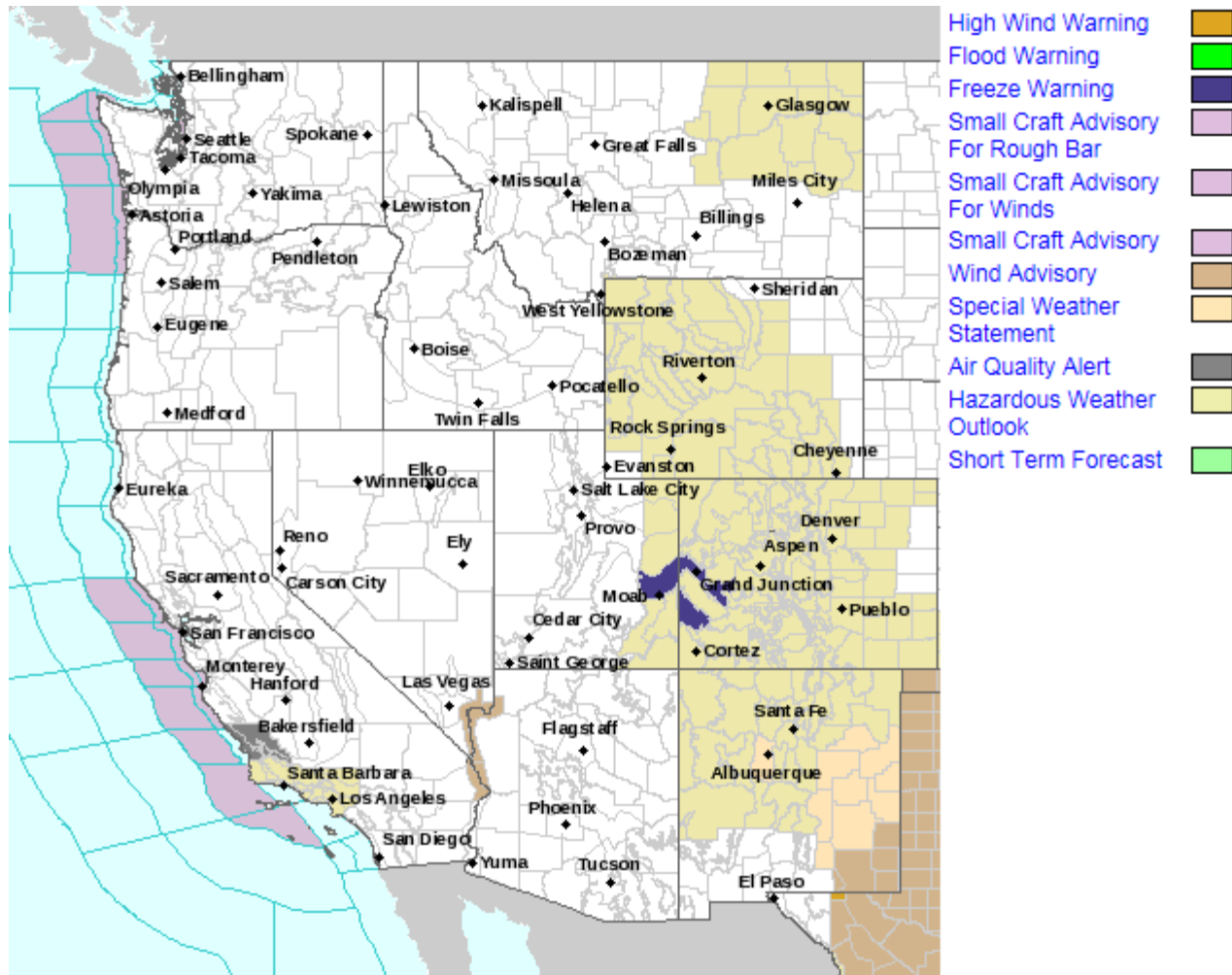
High pressure will strengthen over Northern California area through early Friday then begin to shift east. A warming and drying trend will take place. A light northeast to east/offshore surface wind pattern will enhance these conditions from the Western Sierra slopes to the coast. The highest gusts will be 20-25 mph in windprone areas Thursday morning. Areas with the winds will have poor overnight relative humidity recovery. On Friday the high pressure will shift east as a weak Pacific frontal system approaches. By late Friday afternoon a south to southwest flow will push cool humid marine air into coastal regions. Far Northwest California will become cloudy with a slight chance of showers prior to sunset Friday. The main front will move into northern areas Friday night with scattered showers, and move southeast across Northern California Saturday with scattered showers primarily in the mountains. Snow levels will be over 6000'. Partly cloudy and mild weather will prevail Sunday, followed by another chance of mountain showers Monday and again on Wednesday.

### **SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA**

A strong high pressure ridge along with an offshore pressure gradient will produce very warm and dry weather beginning Thursday. But this morning, gusty north and northwest winds of 20-30 mph with gusts to 45 will continue across Southern San Luis Obispo County eastward to the I-5 Corridor and the Santa Clarita Valley. These winds should decrease later this morning as the flow turns more northeasterly. In addition, gusty north winds of 20-30 mph with gusts to 45 mph will be possible along the Colorado River Valley throughout the day. Temperatures today should be 5-8 degrees warmer than yesterday with highs approaching 90 in the valleys and lower foothills of Southern California to the 70s in the mountains. Tonight into Thursday morning, offshore winds of 20-30 mph with gusts to 40 mph will develop in some of the favored passes and canyons of Southern California. These winds should slowly decrease Thursday afternoon, but some light offshore flow will be possible until Friday night. Temperatures will spike Thursday and Friday, reaching well into the 90s over a widespread area of Southern California below 3,000 feet. Minimum relative humidity will likely approach the single digits, during the afternoon with poor recovery expected Thursday and Friday night. This weekend, slightly cooler weather will overspread the area with some marine layer cloudiness possibly returning by Sunday morning. Temperatures will still be a bit above normal through much of next week. Next Monday through Wednesday, it may turn quite breezy in the Kern County Mountains eastward into the desert as brisk northwesterly flow redevelops over the area. No rain is expected the rest of the month.



# STATE WEATHER MAP



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# **FIRE ACTIVITY**



## **Preparedness Levels**

### **National Preparedness Level 1**

#### **Northern California**

Preparedness Level 1, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 1

#### **Southern California**

Preparedness Level 2, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 2

## **California Fire Potential & Weather Maps**

### **Southern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential**

<http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/8>

### **Northern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential**

<http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/10>

### **California Fire Weather Map Watches and Warnings**

<http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/firewx/main.php>

### **NWS California River Forecast Center:**

<http://www.cnrfc.noaa.gov/>

# RECOVERY ACTIVITIES

## Round Fire, Mono County

- Site sampling and hazardous materials recovery of the affected properties began 03/14/15. Cal Recycle began debris removal operations 03/23/15.
- Two Recovery personnel have deployed to Mono County to assist with debris removal operations.
- An Applicant's Briefing will be held on 04/03/15 at 1300 hours, at the Lee Vining Community Center, to discuss the eligibility and guidelines of the CDAA program.

# **CAL OES 2014 DROUGHT**

## **Cal EOC Incident – 2014 Drought**

- The SOC, Inland, Coastal, and Southern REOCs and the Santa Barbara County EOC are activated in support of the Drought State of Emergency and continue to monitor the situation.
- The Governor issued an Executive Order on 09/19/14, to streamline relief efforts for families with drinking water shortages due to drought. Specifically, through the California Disaster Assistance Act, to provide temporary water supplies to households without water for drinking and/or sanitation purposes.
- CDAA 2014 Drought Fact Sheet and Frequently Asked Questions provided to Regions for reference and distribution.
- Cal OES Recovery continues to coordinate a monthly state interagency conference call regarding drought community impacts.
- Cal OES Regional (Inland, Coastal, Southern) conference calls continue to occur on a bi-weekly basis.



# CAL OES MISSIONS

## Ongoing Cal OES Missions

- **2015-LAW-9096, 3/23/15 1030 hours:** Trinity County Sheriff's Department has uncovered new information on the whereabouts of a missing person from 2014. Through their investigation, they have discovered an address the missing person was staying in Shasta County. Trinity County SO has requested assistance with conducting a search (after a search warrant is served) at the property on Saturday 03/28/15. Trinity County Sheriff's Department via Shasta County Sheriff is requesting a Human Remains Detection dog to assist in this search. The property to be searched is approximately 80 acres, with small ponds and hilly terrain. **Mission On-going.**

## Closed Cal OES Missions

- **2015-LAW-9118, 3/24/15 1545 hours:** AFRCC reported a PLB activation in Atwater, CA. The coordinates plot near the Castle Airport in Merced and Atwater Federal Prison. Efforts to locate the PLB are on-going as activations continue. Castle Airport Manager and Merced Sheriff's Department conducted an extensive search of the airport with negative results. Civil Air Patrol was requested via AFRCC at approximately 2100 hours. Currently CAP believes the PLB activation is coming from the Atwater Federal Prison. CAP and Merced Sheriff's Department are working with Atwater Prison officials to locate the device. **Update, 3/25/15 at 1156 hours:** Device was located inside prison within the prison industries electronic recycling center. CAP personnel deactivated the device. **Mission Closed. AFRCC notified by CAP. Mission Closed**
- **2015-LAW-9102, 3/24/15 0300 hours:** Solano County Sheriff has requested a large contingent of Search and Rescue team members and search dogs to assist with a search for a missing/abducted 30 yr. old female from Vallejo. Resources have been requested from Marin, Alameda, Contra Costa, Santa Clara, Monterey, Santa Cruz, Lake and San Mateo County Sheriffs. Numerous law enforcement agencies including the FBI are assisting with this investigation. SAR resources will be for victim search only. **UPDATE:** Over 75 SAR personnel and canine units responded to assist with this investigation. Initial reports late morning on Tuesday 3/24/15 of a body found were false. Searchers continued throughout the day on Tuesday and were demobilized and released Tuesday evening. Developing information and investigation has led investigators to search the water areas around Mare Island. Alameda County Sheriff is assisting Solano County with sonar devices and dive teams. **Update, 3/25/15 at 0358 hours:** Divers completed the water search mission and did not locate the victim. With no further leads or mutual aid requests, the mission has been closed. **Mission Closed.**



**Mission:**

We protect lives and property, build capabilities, and support our communities for a resilient California.

*We achieve our mission by serving the public through effective collaboration in preparing for, protecting against, responding to, recovering from, and mitigating the impacts of all hazards and threats.*